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Mr. Dan Bergman
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EL MONTE OPERABLE UNIT (EMOU), EMERGENT CHEMICALS GROUNDWATER MONITORING PROGRAM

Dear Mr. Bergman:

As you recall, Regional Board staff had recently directed the responsible parties in the EMOU to implement groundwater sampling analysis for the emergent chemicals (perchlorate, 1,4-dioxane, and NDMA) for two episodes. The first episode was to be conducted in January 2000 and the results reported by February 29, 2000. The last episode is to be conducted in April 2000 and results reported by May 30, 2000.

In your letter dated January 17, 2000, you stated that the Northwest El Monte Community Task Force has directed you to acknowledge receipt of our directive, but that they would like to submit an alternative groundwater monitoring strategy to meet both ours and USEPA's information needs for these chemicals. You said the sampling strategy was to be submitted at the end of January. To date, we have not received your sampling plan, or information on when it will be received. By delaying the submittal of your plan, you have delayed the groundwater monitoring program we put in place.

If we do not receive your plan by February 11, 2000, we will be compelled to send out letters to all participants directing them to work within the previously provided groundwater monitoring plan and schedule. If you have any questions concerning this matter, please call me at (213) 576-6727.

Sincerely,

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Associate Engineering Geologist

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